

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please **REPLACE** the second paragraph following the title of the application with the following:

The present applications is a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. patent application serial no. 09/783,251, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECTING A GAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPEED OF PLAY", filed February 14, 2001 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,695,700), and which is a continuation of U.S. patent application no. 09/001,902, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECTING A GAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPEED OF PLAY", filed December 31, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,238,288). The entirety of this application is incorporated by reference herein.